TAPIOCA IMPORTED FROM TRAVANCORE—DIMINUTION IN WEIGHT AND QUANTITY

223. Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether there was a perceptible diminution in the weight and quantity of tapioca imported from Travancore into the markets of Ernakulam and Chalakkudi after Japan has entered into war;

(*b*) whether there is an appreciable difference in the price of tapioca in Ernakulam and in Vaikam or in Cochin and Travancore?

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):*

(*a*) No.

(*b*) No. The difference in price at Changanacheri which is the principal market for tapioca in Travancore, and at Ernakulam is about 8 annas per candy (which includes freight and profit of the dealer at Ernakulam).

BOAT-JETTY IN BRITISH COCHIN—CONSTRUCTION OF

224. Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether there was a proposal to have a boat jetty in British Cochin or some place close by as a landing place for the convenience of the residents of Ernakulam who are employed in British Cochin;

(*b*) whether the proposed boat jetty is complete;

(*c*) whether it is approved by the Chief Engineer and Diwan Peishkar;

(*d*) what is the final decision on the point?

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):*

(*a*) There was a proposal to arrange the landing of passengers at some convenient place in British Cochin at stated times.

(*b*) This has been given effect to; but no jetty has been constructed by the Cochin Government for the purpose. The British Cochin Municipality has arranged with the Customs Office to set apart a portion of the Customs wharf for the purpose.

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